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PROTEINS
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the non-final office action dated August 2, 2004, concerning the above-captioned application. As the shortened statutory period for response expires Thursday, September 2, 2004, this response is timely filed.

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